GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2417
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CONDITION OF I.P. THERMAL POWER STATION DELHI
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the new-item captioned `Does the IP power house have a future` appearing in the Times of India` dated November 6, 2000;

(b) if so, the facts of the matter reported therein;

(c) whether the said plant is a loss prone thermal plant;

(d) if so, whether the Pollution Control Board has asked the Government ofNCT, Delhi to decommission the plant within six months of the commissioning of the Pragati Station; and

(e) if so, the reaction of the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) : Yes, Sir.

(b) : IP Thermal Power Station of Delhi Vidyut Board (DVB) has servedfor more than 30 years and has already completed its useful economic life. The Station comprises 5 units, out of which one unit (No.1) hassince been retired with effect from 28.2.2000 due to uneconomic functioning. The total installed capacity of the remaining 4 units is 247.5 MW. In view of the ageing of the units, the performance has not been satisfactory and DVB has approved renovation & modernisation ofthe remaining four units. DVB has appointed Consultants for carrying out Residual Life Assessment (RLA) studies of the units.

(c) : According to DVB, the Plant is not a loss prone plant.

(d) : Yes, Sir.

(e) : In order to improve the performance of the Station by carrying out Renovation & Modernisation or phasing out of units by larger modern and environmental friendly plant, DVB has engaged NTPC as consultantsfor carrying out studies and to indicate short-term/long-term measures to improve the performance of the Station.